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Situation Report No. 29

Situation in Guyana as of 1200 hours (EST), Dec 4, 1978

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We have now been informed that the list of 32 survivors who were given permission to depart on Sunday was in addition to the 6 who left on Saturday. Nine women and one child actually came out on Sunday. Three women and one man elected not to leave. Eighteen men were refused by the Captain of the Panam plane who is reported to have said that the FDI had promised to have U.S. Marshalls on the flight. Neither the Department nor Justice is aware of any prior discussion or request regarding Marshalls aboard commercial flights carrying survivors. Justice has however now made arrangments for Marshalls in this situation. Most of the 18 men refused transport on Sunday will probably depart Georgetown on Wednesday although some may trickle out on foreign airlines. A total of 23 survivors have now returned to the U.S.

The total of identified bodies has now reached 580.

This is the final SITREP. Continuing problems will be handled as follows: ARA by Robert Zimmermann who will be in ARA/CAR, X23449; PA by Jeff Dietrich in ARA/PPC, X23048; H by Catherine Thibodeau in H, X22163; SCS by Alan Gise, X26610; and military by Col. Robert Ramsey in the Operations Center, X23002 or 20564.

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